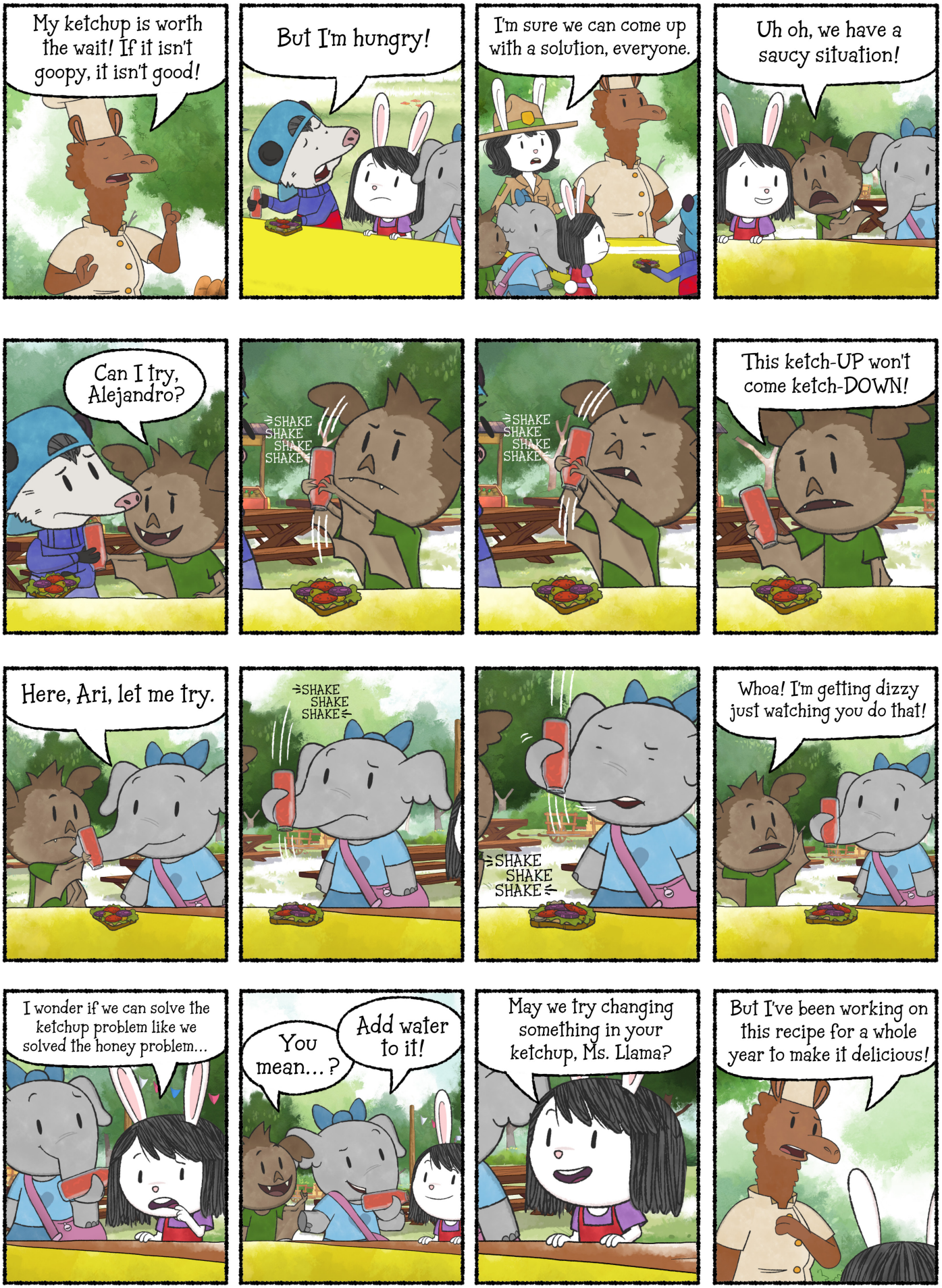
It's the town picnic! What should we do first, mom?
Let's see... Ooh, we can do wood-carving with Mrs. Beaver.
CHOMP
CHEW
CRUNCH
Or... go on a hayride with Mr. Horse.
Grunt!
Or... watch Mr. Cat at the dunking booth.
Uh oh.
Elinor! Over here!
Hi, Ari! Hi Olive! Whatcha doing?
Ari is waiting in line for ketchup.
But... there's never a line for ketchup at my house!
I'm not waiting in line for just any ketchup...
I'm waiting for Ms. Llama's super special, world famous, awesome ketchup!
It's everyone's favorite! That's why you have to get in line early.
Ooh, can I join you?
Of course!
Waiting for ketchup...
Uh... We're not moving.
I know!
Even that snail is moving faster than we are!

BZZZ
Huh?
Oooooh!
BZZZ
It's a bee!
I need more observations!
Oh, I hope the line moves soon, I'm hungry!
GRUMBLE
I heard that Ms. Llama's new recipe is even better than last year's!
Well, I hope it's worth all this waiting... Right, Elinor?
Elinor?
BZZZ
Hi mom!
I'm following a beeeee!
Okay, just bee careful!
BZZZZ
Ooohh.
The bee is drinking from the flower!
GULP GULP GULP
It's like a juice box... for bees!

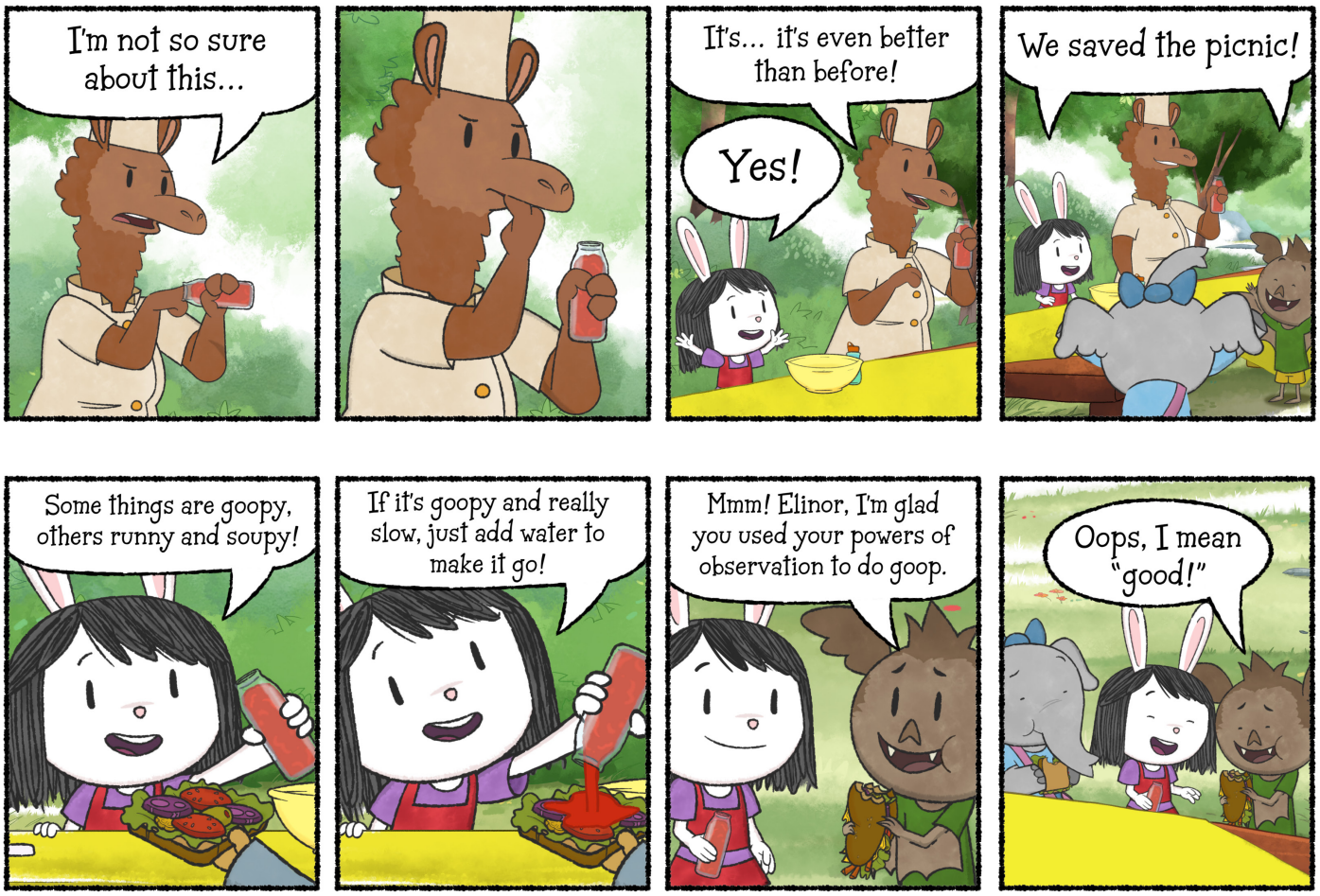
Elinor!
Where are you?
Olive! Ari! Watch out!
You are about to get honeyed!
Aaahh!
That honey is about to drip on you!
Oh no!
Huh?
That honey drop won't drip!
That's...
Interesting!
So...
The honey moves so slowly.
It's slower than a sleepy snail!
I observed the bee get the watery juice from the flower.
GULP GULP GULP
But how do the bees turn juice into goopy honey?
Maybe they cook it! Like soup!
STIR STIR
I wouldn't mind some honey soup right about now!

Wait, I saw this in my nature book!
Bees take watery nectar from the flowers into the beehive...
And they spit it into the honeycomb.
Whoa!
PTOO
PTAH
Then they flap their wings to take the water out, and that makes the honey goopy!
Cool!
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
Ohhh... So taking the water out is what makes honey goopy.
Yeah, bees turn nectar into honey because it lasts longer and takes up less space.
Whoa!
It's a space saving sweet snack. Look, I'm a bee!
Hey! We're not goopy honey!
Hahaha!
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
Olive! The honey is dripping!
Oh no!
SPLAT
Ari!
Are you okay!? You saved me!
My mom always says I'm really sweet!
How are we going to get all this goopy honey off you?
I wonder...
If taking water out makes honey goopy, maybe putting water back in will make it... less goopy?
We need water!

GULP GULP
SPLASH
It's working! Adding water made the honey runny!
Ha, I went from sticky sweet to soggy feet!
We figured it out! Bees make the honey goopy by taking the water out...
... and putting water back in makes the honey runny!
GRUMBLE
I'm glad we figured that out, but can we "runny" back to my sandwich? I'm hungry!
The line to get ketchup hasn't moved!
It's moving slower than goopy honey!
I wonder why?
Let's find out!
Mom, what's going on?
Well... Ms. Llama made her delicious ketchup...
... But it's so goopy it takes a long time to come out of the bottle!
I've been here all day and my arm is getting tired!


My ketchup is worth the wait! If it isn't goopy, it isn't good!
But I'm hungry!
I'm sure we can come up with a solution, everyone.
Uh oh, we have a saucy situation!
Can I try, Alejandro?
SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE
SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE
This ketch-UP won't come ketch-DOWN!
Here, Ari, let me try.
SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE
SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE
Whoa! I'm getting dizzy just watching you do that!
I wonder if we can solve the ketchup problem like we solved the honey problem...
You mean...?
Add water to it!
May we try changing something in your ketchup, Ms. Llama?
But I've been working on this recipe for a whole year to make it delicious!

Sometimes to solve a problem, you have to be willing to try something new.
Ok, let's try mixing in some water to make it runnier.
Just a tiny bit of water to start!
I can't watch!
Let's try adding a little bit of water...
DRIP DRIP
MIX MIX MIX
Hmm, it's still too goopy!
Let's try adding a little bit *more* water.
GLUG
MIX MIX MIX
BLURP
Now the ketchup can drip down faster!
It worked!
Here, try some!
It's... it's delicious!
Adding water made the ketchup less goopy!
Hmmph, let me try that.


I'm not so sure about this...
It's... it's even better than before!
Yes!
We saved the picnic!
Some things are goopy, others runny and soupy!
If it's goopy and really slow, just add water to make it go!
Mmm! Elinor, I'm glad you used your powers of observation to do goop.
Oops, I mean "good!"